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Serial No.: 09/827,431

§ Group Art Unit: 3621

Filed: April 6, 2001

§ Examiner: **Elisca, Pierre E.**

**For: System and Method for
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Conducting Contractual Activities
Under the Contract**

§ Attorney Docket No.: CA920000034US1

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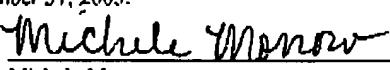
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